

## **AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

### **LISTING OF CLAIMS**

1. (currently amended) A merchandise detecting and billing device ~~having~~ comprising a sales slip printer (10) and at least two receipt dispensers ~~(12L, 12R)~~, with the receipt dispensers ~~(12L, 12R)~~ each being connected to one transportation channel ~~(30L, 30R)~~, and a receipt (24) which is printed by the sales slip printer (10) being directed by a diverting means (28) to a transportation channel ~~(30L, 30R)~~ which leads to a receipt dispenser ~~(12L, 12R)~~.

2. (currently amended) The merchandise detecting and billing device as claimed in claim 1, ~~in which~~ wherein each transportation channel ~~(30L, 30R)~~ comprises at least one endless belt ~~(36L, 36R)~~, which is stretched between deflection rollers ~~(32L, 34L; 32R, 34R)~~, and a transportation surface ~~(40L; 40R)~~ which runs parallel to the endless belts ~~(36L, 36R)~~, and the transportation channels ~~(30L, 30R)~~ are arranged next to one another, with the directions of circulation of the endless belts ~~(36L, 36R)~~ running in opposite directions and the diverting means (28) being arranged in the intermediate region between the transportation channels ~~(30L, 30R)~~.

3. (currently amended) The merchandise detecting and billing device as claimed in claim 1 ~~or 2~~, with the diverting means ~~(28)~~ having a guide surface ~~(44)~~.

4. (currently amended) The merchandise detecting and billing device as claimed in ~~one or more of the preceding claims, characterized in that~~ claim 1, wherein the diverting means ~~(28)~~ can be moved between the transportation channels ~~(30L, 30R)~~ by means of an actuator drive ~~(46)~~.